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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL URGENT ACTION

March 3, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: SECRETARY KISSINGER

FROM: W. R. SMYSE *[Signature]*
WILLIAM L. STEARMAN *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: A Meeting By The President with the
Congressional Delegation that Visited
Vietnam and Cambodia

The Congressional delegation that visited Vietnam and Cambodia returned this morning. Ken Quinn, who accompanied the delegation, has reported that they want to meet with the President as soon as possible after they finish two of their own meetings now scheduled for Monday and Tuesday afternoon.

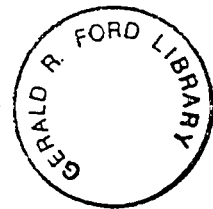
Wednesday morning would seem to be the best time. It will fulfill their request to meet with the President as soon as possible after their own deliberations are completed, and it will give you an opportunity to join in the meeting before you leave for the Middle East. This may be vital because several of them are expressing the hope that you can undertake a diplomatic initiative, and you may want to set the record straight as to who is blocking negotiations, and how aid is essential for talks.

I understand that Graham Martin and Phil Habib also endorse this proposal.

RECOMMENDATION:

That you sign the attached schedule proposal for the President. (Tab I)

Les Janka concurs.



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

SCHEDULE PROPOSAL

DATE: March 3, 1975

FROM: Henry A. Kissinger

VIA: Warren S. Rustand

MEETING: The Congressional fact finding mission which has just returned from Vietnam and Cambodia.

DATE: Wednesday, March 5, morning.

PURPOSE: To hear the report of the delegation on their trip to Indochina and to receive and discuss their recommendations regarding supplementary military and economic assistance.

FORMAT:

- Cabinet Room
- Participants (see Tab A)
- 45 Minutes

CABINET: Secretary Kissinger

SPEECH MATERIAL: Talking points will be provided. ✓

PRESS COVERAGE: Meeting to be announced. Photographic coverage desirable.

STAFF: Henry A. Kissinger

RECOMMEND: Henry A. Kissinger

PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION: You asked this delegation to visit Indochina.

BACKGROUND: The Congressional fact finding mission, which went to Vietnam and Cambodia at your request, returned to Washington on March 3. They are planning to meet on March 3 and 4 to attempt to put together a joint report. They indicated during the trip that they would like to meet with you as soon as possible after that.

Your meeting with them will indicate the importance you attach to this aid request and will give you an opportunity to get your own views on the record.



APPROVE _____ DISAPPROVE _____

PARTICIPANTS

Senator Dewey Bartlett (R-Okla)

Representative John Flynt, Jr. (D-Ga)

Representative Paul McCloskey, Jr. (R-Cal)

Representative Millicent Fenwick (R-NJ)

Representative Bella Abzug (D-NY)

Representative Donald Frazer (D-Minn)

Representative William Chappell (D-Fla)

Representative John Murtha (D-Pa)

Secretary Kissinger

Mr. Max Friedersdorf

General Scowcroft

